

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
SHINGO NOZAWA) Examiner: J. Groody
Application No.: 10/715,428) Art Unit: 2621
Filed: November 19, 2003)
For: IMAGING APPARATUS,)
RECORDING APPARATUS AND)
RECORDING METHOD) January 3, 2007

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed.

The listed documents were first cited in an Office Action dated September 19, 2006 from the Japanese Patent Office in connection with a counterpart Japanese application. A copy of the Office Action is enclosed.

For the concise explanation of relevance of JPA 10- 285501, the Examiner is directed to the corresponding partial English translation, as well as to the English-language abstract attached thereto.

For the concise explanation of relevance of JPA 08-331448, JPA 10-322660, and JPA 2000-138900, the Examiner is directed to the English-language abstracts attached thereto.

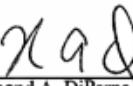
It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

To the best of Applicant's knowledge, an Office Action on the merits has not yet been issued.

While no fee is believed to be due, please charge any fee that may be due to Deposit Account No. 503939.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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